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Mauricio Garcia Sierra receives 4 years sanction for presence of EPO in his sample at the 2015 World Inline Speed Skating Championships Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei

The FIRS Doping Review Panel confirm that

*Athlete **Mauricio Garcia Sierra**, an International competitor representing the Federación Dominicana De Patinaje in the 1000M inline speed skating event at the 2015 World Inline Speed Skating World Championship in Kaohsiung Chinese Taipei, returned a positive doping test after the 1000M sprint event on 16 November 2015.*

*The prohibited substance is **Erythropoietin (EPO)**, an Erythrocyte Stimulating Agent (ESA), which increases red cell mass to assist with carriage of oxygen in the body.*

*Mauricio Garcia Sierra is sanctioned for **four (4) years** from **25 March 2016** to **24 March 2020** with a credit for time already served in provisional sanction from 31 December 2015 to 25 March 2016. **The sanction imposed on Mauricio Garcia Sierra is complete on 31 December 2019.** During the period of ineligibility Mauricio Garcia Sierra is not permitted to participate in any sports related activity with any organisation that is a signatory to the WADA Code including but not limited to competing, train with a team, coaching, committee work but excepting anti doping education and counselling.*

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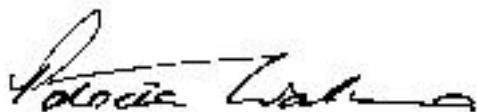
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In addition to the period of ineligibility Mauricio Garcia Sierra forfeits all results, medals, prizes and placements from and including 16 November 2015.



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